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IN REPLY REFER TO 5720 Ser N00J / 681 November 28, 2018

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Subj: FOIA Request DON-NAVY-2019-001396

Dear Ms. Best:

This is a final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of November 19, 2018, originally addressed to the Secretary of the Navy and the Chief of Naval Operations, and forwarded by those offices to the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) to reply to those portions related to ONI. Your request was assigned the above referenced Department of Navy FOIA number. You requested information on contacts occurring any time between 1970 and 1979 between the Central Intelligence Agency and the following named persons you indicate worked for ONI:

- 1) William E. Davis
- 2) Rodney Hansen
- 3) Robert V. Howard
- 4) Peter Seegersten

ONI's Records Custodian conducted a search for records within ONI's Maritime Intelligence Operations, Naval Analysis and Information Acquisition Directorates with negative results. In addition, the Command Historian searched organizational rosters from 1970 – 1979 for the old Naval Intelligence Command field organizations: the Navy Field Operational Intelligence Office (NFOIO) the Naval Scientific and Technical Intelligence Center (NAVSTIC) and the Naval Intelligence Support Center (NISC); the four names you supplied did not appear on any of those rosters. Other than records pertaining to current employees, ONI does not maintain records on individuals. As such, ONI holds no documents responsive to your request.

If you are unsatisfied with this response, you may contact the Navy FOIA Public Liaison at <a href="mailto:DONFOIAPublicLiaison@navy.mil">DONFOIAPublicLiaison@navy.mil</a> or by telephone at 703-697-0031. Please ensure you have your assigned FOIA number available. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination. To exercise this right refer to the above referenced number and send your appeal and justification to the Judge Advocate General (Code 14), Department of the Navy, Building 33, Washington Navy Yard, 1322 Patterson Avenue, SE, Suite 3000, Washington, DC 20374-5066. Your appeal must be received by that office within 60 calendar days from the date of this letter. A copy of this letter should accompany your appeal statement and we recommend you label your letter and envelope with the notation "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

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There are no fees associated with processing your request. The Office of Naval Intelligence is the Official Denial Authority for your request. I am your point of contact for this request, and may be reached at 301-669-1685 or by email at <a href="mailto:andrew.levitz@navy.mil">andrew.levitz@navy.mil</a>.

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By direction